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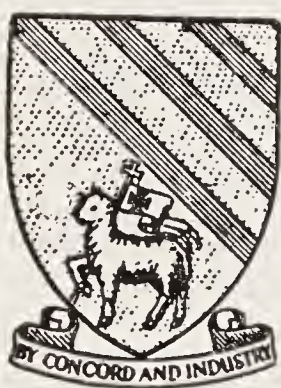
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ANNUAL REPORT of the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, 1960

Public Health Department,
Droylsden.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
DROYLSDEN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the Health of the District for 1960.

The year has again been a very satisfactory one in respect to the vital statistics with a general tendency towards improvement.

An infantile mortality rate of 17.2 against 22.4 for 1959, a perinatal mortality rate, which is less than half that of 1959, and a childbirth rate, which is also falling, are all pleasing features.

Unfortunately, the incidence of cancer and the degenerative cardio vascular diseases does not show any decline, though the factors preventing an improvement are well known to most intelligent people, and I have little doubt that a reduction in the drug habit of nicotineism and a vigorous prosecution of your Smoke Control Policy would soon cause quite a substantial fall in the mortality rate from these diseases in the course of time.

I would acknowledge with great pleasure the assistance given to me by Dr. Morris and Mr. Traynor, the Chief Public Health Inspector.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council,

Your obedient servant,

ALAN S. SIMPSON,

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (acres)	1,246
Population :	
At Census, 1931	13,270
At Census, 1951	26,365
Estimated, Mid-1960	26,240
Number of Inhabited Houses :	
At Census, 1931	3,280
At Census, 1951	8,197
Estimated at end of 1960	8,663
General Rate for 1960	21/6 in the £
Rateable Value	£243.509
Sum represented by a penny rate	£977

Social Conditions of the Area

There is some cotton spinning and weaving, cloth finishing and dyeing, engineering, upholstery and confectionery. There are a large number of retail tradespeople. A high percentage of the population follow occupations in the adjoining City of Manchester.

VITAL STATISTICS

The following are the principal statistics for 1960, with the comparable figure for 1959 :

	1960	1959	England & Wales 1960 Rates
Estimated Population ...	26,240	26,230	
Comparability Factor			
(a) Births	1.01	1.01	
(b) Deaths... ..	1.39	1.41	
Births (total live and still)	411	411	
Births—Live	408 (196)*	401 (211)*	
Still	3 (2)*	5 (5)*	
Crude birth rate per 1,000 population	15.5	15.3	
Birth rate as adjusted by factor	15.7	15.4	17.1
Deaths	261 (138)*	256 (125)*	
Crude death rate per 1,000 population	9.9	9.8	
Death rate as adjusted by factor	13.8	13.7	11.5
Infant deaths	7 (5)*	9 (6)*	
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 live births	17.2	22.4	21.7

*The figures in brackets () represent males.

	1960	1959	1960
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	17.9	22.7	
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	—	—	
Male infantile mortality rate	25.5	28.4	
Female infantile mor- tality rate	9.4	15.8	
Perinatal Mortality—			
Stillbirths and first week deaths. Total live and stillbirths	17.0	38.9	
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total births	7.3	24.3	19.7
Maternal Mortality—			
Deaths from preg- nancy, childbirth & abortion	—	—	
Mortality rate per 1,000 total births... ..	—	—	0.39
Neo-natal Mortality—			
Deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age ...	5	7	
Mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.3	17.6	15.6
Tuberculosis rates per 1,000 population—			
(a) Primary notification—			
Respiratory	0.41	0.57	
Non-respiratory ...	0.07	0.11	
(b) Deaths—			
Respiratory	0.11	0.04	0.068
Non-respiratory ...	—	—	
Deaths from cancer—all forms, including leukæ- mia	53	44	
Death rate per 1,000 population from cancer —all forms, including leukæmia	2.02	2.25	2.16

1960 BIRTHS

Sex and Legitimacy

LIVE—	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	197	203	390
Illegitimate	9	9	18
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Total Live Births ...	196	212	408
STILL—			
Legitimate	2	1	3
Illegitimate	—	—	—

1960 DEATHS

Males	Females	Total
138	123	261

There were no deaths of illegitimate infants under one year of age.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

No cases of diphtheria have been notified during the last 12 years.

There were 19 notifications of scarlet fever as against 49 in 1959; 469 cases of measles as against 155 in 1959. Whooping cough showed a slight increase—26 as against 10 in 1959.

There were 55 cases of dysentery and three cases of food poisoning notified. There were no cases of poliomyelitis.

CANCER

The number of deaths occurring where cancer was entered as a cause of death was 53, giving a death rate of 2.02 per 1,000 of the population. Last year's figure was 59. The age groupings of these deaths and separation into sexes is shown on the following table:

Cancer Deaths, 1960

Age Groups	Males	Females	Total
0-10	—	—	—
10-15	—	—	—
15-20	—	—	—
20-25	—	—	—
25-35	—	—	—
35-40	—	1	1
40-45	—	1	1
45-50	2	1	3
50-55	2	4	6
55-60	3	3	6
60-65	5	—	5
65-70	6	2	8
70-75	7	6	13
75 and over ...	3	6	9

The number of cases where cancer was mentioned as a cause of death in each of the last 12 years was as follows:—

1949 45	1955 52
1950 52	1956 48
1951 46	1957 45
1952 62	1958 44
1953 54	1959 59
1954 56	1960 52

TUBERCULOSIS SERVICES

The Chest Clinic, Lees Street, Ashton-under-Lyne, is now administered by the Regional Hospital Board, though certain aspects of this work, more particularly the domiciliary visiting of cases and contacts, come within the domain of the Local Health Authority's Medical Officer (the Divisional Medical Officer for Health Division No. 17).

The times for attendance at the Clinic are as follows :

Tuesdays	1-30 p.m.
Wednesdays	9-30 a.m.
Fridays	9-30 a.m.

Also the 2nd and 4th Wednesday in every month (for old Patients only) 6-0 p.m.

A clinic for children only is held on Friday afternoon from 2-0 to 4-0 p.m.

DISINFECTION

During the year 14 premises were disinfected by the Council as follows : Tuberculosis 10, scarlet fever 4. In addition, 4 schools were disinfected and also 2 nurseries.

PATHOLOGICAL SPECIMENS

The following pathological specimens were submitted to the Manchester Public Health Laboratory for examination during the year : 285 specimens for typhoid, salmonella or dysentery groups and 2 for urine tests.

MIDWIVES

There are two Lancashire County Council Midwives residing and practising in the district, viz :

Mrs. H. F. A. DEAN, 15, Porlock Avenue, Audenshaw. Phone : DRO 3441.

Mrs. E. ERNEST, 33, Gorseyfields, Droylsden. Phone : DRO 3552.

DISTRICT NURSING

The District Nurses ceased to occupy the Droylsden Sick Nursing Association house in Market Street, Droylsden, in November, 1953.

During the year the following three Nurses were working in the area from the addresses shown:—

Mrs. WILLIAMS, 12, Ashdale Crescent, Droylsden.
Phone : DRO 3513.

Mrs. K. GREGSON, 10, St. Stephen's Avenue, Audenshaw. Phone : ASH 4877.

Mrs. E. MAHER, 5b, Lancaster Road, Droylsden.
Phone : DRO 2930.

AMBULANCE SERVICES

(Administered by Lancashire County Council)

Headquarters :

Lord Street Garage, Ashton-under-Lyne.

Phone : ASHton 2297/8.

The Ambulance Sub-station in Ash Road, Droylsden, is open from :

8-0 a.m. to 4-0 p.m. Monday to Friday.

8-0 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday.

The Staff consists of one Shift Leader and two Ambulance Driver/Attendants.

Vehicles : One ambulance and one car.

1960

Number of cases of emergency ...	193
Non-emergency	8,599
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	8,792
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Mileage—Ambulance	22,255
Dual Purpose	6,090
Car	24,816

DAY NURSERIES

There are at present three Day Nurseries in the area, viz :

1. Droylsden No. 2 — Lewis Road.
2. Droylsden No. 3 — Greenside Lane.
3. Droylsden No. 4 — Fold Street.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA HOSPITALS

There are no hospitals of any type in the area.

1.—General. Since 5th July, 1948, the Manchester Regional Hospital Board control all the hospitals which might serve the Droylsden area; these include the Manchester General Hospitals as well as the Monsall Infectious Diseases Hospital. Under the same Regional Board, but controlled by the Ashton, Hyde and Glossop Hospital Management Committee, are the two General Hospitals in Ashton-under-Lyne (District Infirmary and Lake Hospital) and the Hyde Infectious Diseases Hospital.

Droylsden residents can, and do, use both Ashton and Manchester General Hospitals.

2.—Infectious Diseases. Monsall Hospital continues to take cases from Droylsden, but no charges are now made for this service.

3.—Maternity. Maternity cases requiring hospital confinement are admitted to the Lake Hospital, Ashton-under-Lyne, or to St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester.

4.—Smallpox. The Regional Hospital Board would indicate which hospital in their area was to be used for a case of smallpox should it arise.

LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES

Droylsden is one of the six constituent districts of Health Division No. 17 of the Lancashire County Council, who are the Local Authority for the area and provide for the following services in Droylsden :

1. Maternity and Child Welfare.
2. School Medical Services.
3. Midwifery.
4. Health Visiting.
5. Home Nursing.
6. Vaccination and Immunisation.
7. Ambulance Services.
8. Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care.

9. Domestic Help.
10. Mental Health.
11. Health Education and Propaganda.

The above services are administered by the Lancashire County Council acting through their No. 17 Divisional Health Committee.

The Medical Officer locally responsible for the above Divisional Health Service is :

Dr. ALAN S. SIMPSON,
Divisional Medical Officer of Health,
Divisional Health Offices,
St. Michael's Square,
Ashton-under-Lyne.

TABLE I

YEAR	LIVE BIRTHS		DEATHS (All causes)		STILL BIRTHS		MATERNAL MORTALITY		INFANT MORTALITY			
	No. Registered	Rate per 1,000 Population	No. Registered	Rate per 1,000 Population	No. Registered	Rate per 1,000 Population	No. Registered	Rate per 1,000 Population	TOTAL		NEO-NATAL	
									No. of Deaths Registered	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	No. of Deaths Registered	Rate per 1,000 Live Births
1960	408	15.5	261	9.9	3	7.3	Nil	Nil	7	17.2	5	12.3
1959	401	15.3	256	9.8	10	24.3	Nil	Nil	9	22.4	7	17.5
1958	401	15.3	256	9.7	6	14.7	Nil	Nil	8	20.0	5	12.5
1957	388	14.7	257	9.8	13	32	Nil	Nil	6	15	3	8
1956	421	16.0	273	10.3	13	30	Nil	Nil	7	17	6	14
1955	346	13.1	278	10.5	18	49	Nil	Nil	11	32	10	29
Average, 5 years 1955-1959....	—	14.9	—	10.0	—	30	—	—	—	21.2	—	16.2

Adjusted Live birth-rate (Comparability Factor (1.01) = 15.7
 Death-rate (Comparability Factor (1.39) = 13.8

TABLE II
BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE AND INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE, 1936-1960

Year	Popula- tion Mid-year Estimate	No. of Births	Crude Birth- rate	No. of Deaths	Crude Death- rate	No. of Infantile Deaths	Infantile Rate per 1,000	AVERAGE 5 YEARS		
								Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infantile Mortality
Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5	Col. 6	Col. 7	Col. 8	Col. 9	Col. 10	Col. 11
1936.....	19,250	357	18.5	232	13.5	19	53	19.6	12.4	54
1937.....	21,490	414	19.2	248	12.9	27	65			
1938.....	23,710	466	19.6	286	13.5	32	68			
1939.....	24,940	512	20.5	272	10.8	42	44			
1940.....	25,160	510	20.2	296	11.7	21	40			
1941.....	24,970	500	20.0	283	11.3	25	42			
1942.....	24,460	513	20.9	264	10.7	40	77			
1943.....	24,160	520	21.5	267	11.0	31	59	21.4	10.9	48
1944.....	24,070	573	23.8	248	10.3	18	31			
1945.....	23,620	492	20.8	273	11.5	16	32			
1946.....	24,800	535	21.5	250	10.0	21	39			
1947.....	25,160	572	22.7	284	11.2	17	29			
1948.....	27,290	469	17.1	267	9.7	16	34	18.3	10.5	34
1949.....	26,580	409	15.4	283	10.6	16	39			
1950.....	26,720	397	14.9	302	11.3	11	33			
1951.....	26,320	375	14.2	294	11.2	16	27			
1952.....	26,260	390	14.9	280	10.7	14	21			
1953.....	26,060	370	14.2	256	9.8	14	38	13.8	10.3	31
1954.....	26,350	342	13.0	249	9.4	13	38			
1955.....	26,380	346	13.1	278	10.5	11	32			
1956.....	26,390	421	16.0	273	10.3	7	17			
1957.....	26,310	388	14.7	257	9.8	6	15			
1958.....	26,290	401	15.3	256	9.7	8	20	15.3	9.9	18.3
1959.....	26,230	401	15.3	256	9.8	9	22.4			
1960.....	26,240	408	15.5	261	9.9	7	17.2			

TABLE III
CAUSES OF DEATH — 1960

No.	Cause of Death	Male	Female	Total
1.	Tuberculosis (respiratory)	1	2	3
2.	Tuberculosis (other)	—	—	—
3.	Syphilitic disease	—	—	—
4.	Diphtheria	—	—	—
5.	Whooping Cough	—	—	—
6.	Meningococcal infections	—	—	—
7.	Acute poliomyelitis	—	—	—
8.	Measles	—	—	—
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	—	—	—
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	9	3	12
11.	Malignant neoplasm lung, and bronchus ..	9	1	10
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	—	6	6
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	—	2	2
14.	Other malignant and Lymphatic neoplasms	10	13	23
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	—	—	—
16.	Diabetes	—	—	—
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system	14	22	36
18.	Coronary disease angina	31	19	50
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	3	—	3
20.	Other heart diseases	18	23	41
21.	Other circulatory diseases	6	7	13
22.	Influenza	—	—	—
23.	Pneumonia	5	1	6
24.	Bronchitis	13	4	17
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	1	2	3
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	—	—	—
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	—	1	1
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	1	—	1
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	2	—	2
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	—	—	—
31.	Congenital malformations	2	1	3
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	12	14	26
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	—	—	—
34.	All other accidents	1	1	2
35.	Suicide	—	1	1
36.	Homicide and operations of war	—	—	—
TOTAL		138	123	261

TABLE IV
INFANT DEATHS — BY CAUSE, SEX AND AGE GROUPS

	AGE AT DEATH										TOTALS	
	Under 1 Day		1 Day & less than 7 Days		1 Week & less than 4 Weeks		4 Weeks & less than 6 Months		6 Months & less than 12 Months			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F. Sexes
Tuberculosis of Respiratory system.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis (other forms)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1
Bronchitis.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital malformations.....	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	3
Birth Injuries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Post-natal asphyxia and atelectasis.....	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Infections of the newborn	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Other diseases peculiar to infancy.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other causes.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	1	1	1	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	5	7

TABLE V

TUBERCULOSIS, NEW CASES AND DEATHS

Age Periods Years	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary M. F.		Non- pulmonary M. F.		Pulmonary M. F.		Non- pulmonary M. F.	
0 - 1.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 15.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 20.....	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 25.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 35.....	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
35 - 45.....	3	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
45 - 55.....	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
55 - 65.....	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
65 - 75.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 & upwards	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS...	7	4	1	1	2	3	-	-
	11		2		5		-	
Case Rate per 1,000.....	0.49		-		Death Rate per 1,000		0.11	

TABLE VI
TUBERCULOSIS
INCIDENCE AND DEATH RATES ANNUALLY
1941 - 1960

YEAR	INCIDENCE			DEATHS		
	Case Rate per 1,000			Death Rate per 1,000		
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total
1941.....	1.44	.36	1.80	.64	.12	.76
1942.....	1.18	.61	1.79	.57	.16	.73
1943.....	1.15	.20	1.35	.33	.12	.45
1944.....	1.16	.37	1.53	.53	.12	.65
1945.....	1.01	.29	1.30	.71	.08	.79
1946.....	1.37	.32	1.69	.52	.08	.60
1947.....	1.19	.27	1.46	.79	.07	.86
1948.....	1.28	.21	1.49	.54	.03	.57
1949.....	1.05	.22	1.27	.45	.03	.48
1950.....	1.31	.14	1.45	.52	.03	.55
1951.....	1.25	.26	1.51	.34	—	.34
1952.....	1.52	.19	1.71	.23	—	.23
1953.....	0.96	.19	1.15	.15	—	.15
1954.....	0.87	.34	1.21	.19	—	.19
1955.....	0.37	.11	0.48	.11	—	.11
1956.....	0.49	.19	0.68	.15	.03	.18
1957.....	0.64	.03	0.67	.04	—	.04
1958.....	0.33	—	0.33	.23	—	.23
1959.....	0.57	.11	0.68	.04	—	.04
1960.....	0.41	.57	0.98	.11	—	.11
Average for 20 years.....	0.97	.24	1.21	.31	.04	.35
Average for first 5-year period 1940-1945	1.18	.33	1.51	.53	.12	.65
Average for last 5-year period 1956-1960	0.48	.18	0.66	.11	.006	.116

TABLE VII
CANCER DEATHS
1957-1960
According to Site and Sex

List No.	Sites	No. of REGISTERED DEATHS							
		1957		1958		1959		1960	
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
10.	Stomach	6	3	7	3	4	2	8	3
11.	Lung and bronchus.....	8	-	7	3	9	4	10	-
12.	Breast	-	1	-	6	-	4	-	6
13.	Uterus.....	-	3	-	1	-	6	-	2
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	10	14	9	6	16	12	10	13
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia ..	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-
	TOTAL	24	21	25	19	29	30	28	24

TABLE VIII

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFICATION AND AGE GROUP ANALYSIS

DISEASE	Total Cases at All Ages	Un-der 1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 and Over	Total Deaths	Total Cases removed to Hospital from District
Smallpox.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	19	-	-	2	3	4	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Enteric Fever.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	55	1	2	6	5	5	27	7	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	469	13	51	65	79	51	205	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	26	3	1	4	4	2	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning.....	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Malaria	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Pulmonary tuberculosis	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	4	3	1	5	8
Non-pulmonary tuberculosis...	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTALS	590	17	55	77	92	62	255	13	3	5	4	5	2	5	10

TABLE IX
INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED—1941-1960

YEAR	Diphtheria	Erysipelas	Scarlet Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Enteric Fever	Paratyphoid Fever	Meningococcal Infection	Pneumonia	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Poliomyelitis	Dysentery	Measles	Whooping Cough	Food Poisoning	Malaria	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Non-pul. Tuberculosis	TOTALS
1941	36	2	48	3	1	—	2	19	1	1	—	42	116	—	—	36	9	316
1942	10	1	108	2	—	—	2	8	—	—	—	261	38	—	—	29	15	474
1943	18	2	180	3	—	—	1	9	—	1	—	118	40	—	—	28	5	405
1944	9	3	34	1	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	339	69	—	—	28	9	501
1945	11	6	61	2	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	272	64	—	—	24	7	457
1946	5	3	23	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	14	61	—	—	34	8	151
1947	2	1	51	3	—	—	—	11	1	1	—	437	58	—	—	30	7	602
1948	2	1	61	—	—	—	1	12	—	—	—	432	93	—	—	35	6	643
1949	—	2	80	—	—	—	1	3	—	2	—	255	67	3	—	28	6	447
1950	—	1	54	1	—	—	—	7	—	6	47	149	76	—	—	35	4	380
1951	—	1	37	2	1	2	—	6	—	1	1	444	49	1	—	29	7	581
1952	—	3	48	2	—	1	—	5	—	2	—	124	81	—	—	40	5	311
1953	—	5	23	—	—	—	1	7	—	—	4	168	140	—	—	25	5	378
1954	—	1	9	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	299	32	—	—	23	9	377
1955	—	3	34	1	—	—	1	6	—	—	28	189	38	2	—	10	3	315
1956	—	—	19	1	—	—	2	4	—	3	8	3	73	1	—	13	5	132
1957	—	1	8	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	25	496	11	7	—	17	1	571
1958	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	5	—	3	20	112	13	21	—	9	—	194
1959	—	—	49	—	—	1	—	8	—	—	13	155	10	2	—	9	3	250
1960	—	—	19	1	—	—	—	3	—	—	55	469	26	3	1	11	2	590

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
embodying the Report of the
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE YEAR 1960

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
THE DROYLSDEN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present my annual report for the year 1960.

The year was one of steady progress in many projects. The five-year Slum Clearance Programme was terminated with the making of nine Demolition Orders ; in the same field of housing, the reduction in the number of complaints received, apparent since the change in Rent Law, was again in evidence.

The detailed survey of Smoke Control Area No. 2 went forward during the year ; the Minister confirmed Smoke Control Orders Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, and these are to come into operation on the 1st April, 1961.

The intensive scheme for refuse collection again functioned well, but the service was bedevilled by a long succession of break-downs in the elderly departmental vehicle fleet. Phased renewal of these vehicles is now a matter of urgency.

New legislation during the year included "The Caravan Sites Control of Development Act, 1960."

To the Chairman and Members of the Council, and to the Medical Officer of Health, I express my appreciation of their continued encouragement and support. I also thank fellow Officers for their assistance and co-operation.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council,

Your obedient servant,

A. T. TRAYNOR,

Chief Public Health Inspector,
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HOUSING STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1960

1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES

DURING THE YEAR :

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health Act or Housing Acts)	227
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	634
(2) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	26
(3) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	134

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR

WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE :—

Number of dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	80
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3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS

DURING THE YEAR :—

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9 and 10 of the Housing Act, 1957 :	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	None
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which, after service of formal notice were rendered fit :	
(a) By Owners	None
(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners ...	None
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring defects to be remedied, including Section 24 Notices	None
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice :	
(a) By Owner	None
(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners ...	None
(c) Proceedings under Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957 :	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses on which Demolition Orders were made	9
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished as a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17	23
(3) No. of unfit houses closed	4

(4) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Undertakings not to use for human habitation were accepted	Nil
(5) Houses demolished after purchase by Local Authority	Nil

SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

5,172 visits were made to 1,660 premises. 467 defects or nuisances were discovered and 365 were abated. This involved the service of 176 informal notices.

ANALYSIS OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED AND DEALT WITH DURING THE YEAR 1960

Roofs	31
Wall Plaster and Ceiling Plaster	28
Dampness	65
Window Frames and Window Sills	65
Glazing	3
Sash Cords	7
Parting Beads	2
Choked Sewers	6
Choked Drains	37
Defective Drains	3
Gutters	36
Brickwork	18
Pointing	8
Floor Timbers	22
House Doors and Gates and Locks	21
Fireplaces and Flues	13
Chimney Stacks and Pots	8
Door Steps and Footpaths	6
Yard Surfaces	1
W.C. Doors	3
W.C. Roofs	1
W.C. Fittings	16
Sink Waste and Bath Waste Pipes	7
Rain Water Pipes	9
Water Supply and Fittings	5
Soil and Vent. Pipes	1
Skirting Boards	2
Barge Boards	1
Stairs and Handrails	3
Water Under Floor	3
Section 24 Sewers	43
Verminous Premises	11

Dirty Premises	1
Wash-hand Basins and Sinks	2
Smoke Nuisance	1
Referred to Surveyor	22
Referred to M.C.W.W.	18

WATER SUPPLY

Droylsden's water supply is provided by Manchester Corporation, mainly from the Longdendale Reservoirs.

The Manchester Corporation states that the Longdendale water supply is perfectly wholesome for all dietetic purposes, but although it is practically clear, it is never colourless during the summer months. With the autumn rains the water becomes discoloured, a certain amount of sediment accumulates in the mains, and this necessitates periodic flushing.

Complaints of such sediment were received during the year. The mains were flushed by Manchester Corporation to remove the sediment.

Early in 1959 the Manchester Corporation commenced construction of sedimentation tanks, filtration plant, and a covered reservoir at Godley. This large project will eliminate the complaints referred to above. It is hoped that the work will be completed by late 1961.

SEWERAGE AND SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

That part of the Parish of Littlemoss which was included in the Urban District in 1954 is not sewered. It is to be hoped that in the near future it will be possible to provide modern sanitation, either by sewerage the area, or by the installation of individual small treatment plants.

Droylsden's sewage is treated by Manchester Corporation at the Davyhulme Sewage Works.

The sanitary accommodation position is as follows :—

Houses having Water Closets	8,555
Houses having Waste Water Closets ...	4
Houses having Pail Closets	108
Houses served by Septic Tanks	71
Houses served by Cesspools	2

DUSTBINS

In April, 1951, a resolution was passed by the Council to supply dustbins (as a rate-borne charge) to dwelling-houses in the district. 665 dustbins were supplied during the year to houses and a further 5 dustbins were sold to other premises.

No of free Dustbins supplied since the scheme started

April, 1951, to December, 1951	703
During 1952	636
„ 1953	917
„ 1954	856
„ 1955	1,122
„ 1956	882
„ 1957	1,109
„ 1958	911
„ 1959	885
„ 1960	665

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk.

Number of Registered Distributors operating from :

(a) Own dairies in district	5
(b) Dairy farms in district	1
(c) Premises outside district	8
(d) Shops in the district	81

Routine inspections have been made of dairies and shops in the district to ensure conformity with the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

2. Meat Inspection.

The following meat was inspected during the year, and voluntarily surrendered to the Department for destruction, after having been certified as unfit for human consumption :

Chopped Pork	8 lbs.
Cooked Boneless Pork	2 lbs.
Tenderloin Pork	38 lbs.
Pork	112 lbs.
Pork Sausages	11½ lbs.
Hog	One
Beef Sausages	34½ lbs.
Skinless Sausages	1 pkt.
Cooked Shoulder Ham	24½ lbs.
Boneless Coked Ham	112¼ lbs.
Collar Bacon	49½ lbs.
Middle Bacon	20½ lbs.
Shoulder Bacon	2 lbs.
Ham Corner	39 lbs.
Frozen Sirloin	68½ lbs.
Beef	62½ lbs.
Rib and Shoulder	48 lbs.
Jellied Veal	10½ lbs.

Steak	14 lbs.
Hock Joint	$\frac{1}{2}$ lb.
Corned Beef	$60\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Ox Tongue .. .	17 lbs.
Corned Mutton	36 lbs.
Mixed Cooked Meats	$6\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.

3. Other Foods.

The following foodstuffs were inspected, and voluntarily surrendered to the Department for destruction, after having been certified as unfit for human consumption:

Assorted Foodstuffs	556 tins
Cheese	80 lbs.
Raisons	1 lb.
Pepper	2 tins
Walnuts	1 lb.
Pork Pies (small)	3
Steak and Kidney Pies	3
Party Pies	10
Large Pies	2
Margarine	$1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Tinned Prunes	42 lbs.
Marmalade	3 lbs.

The total number of premises registered for the sale of ice-cream is 54.

4. Premises Connected with the Storage, Preparation and Sale of Food.

During the year the following premises were inspected under the Food Hygiene Regulations:

80 Food Premises.
55 Meat Shops.
17 Licensed Premises.

5. Food Hygiene

The attention of many food handlers was called to the necessity for general food hygiene, and quantities of literature and posters on this subject were distributed in food preparing premises.

SHOPS ACT, 1950

In June, 1954, the Council became the Shops Act Authority for the area, and the organisation required for the administration of the Act of 1950 was set up. During the year 196 shops were visited. The 1954 survey revealed that the following shops exist in the District:

Grocers and Provision Dealers	81
Sugar Confectionery and Ice Cream	35
Meat Shops (including cooked meat and tripe)	37
Bakers and Confectioners	24

Fried Fish Shops	18
Greengrocers and Wet Fish	28
Fishmongers, Poultry, Game, etc.	2
Chemists	10
Ladies' Outfitters, Drapery, Haberdashery, etc.	23
Gents. Outfitters	3
Wool Shops	6
Ladies' Hairdressers	13
Gents.' Hairdressers	3
Hardware	12
Furniture and Furnishings	4
Stationers and Toys	5
Shoe Repairs	6
Shoe Shops	5
Dry Cleaners	5
Corn Merchants	1
Opticians	2
Decorators	3
Florists	3
Herbalist	1
Tobacconist and Newsagents	3
Books and Magazines	1
Second-hand Clothes Shop	1
Pets Stores	3
Motor Cycles, Spares and Accessories	5
Radio, T.V., Prams, etc.	5
Plumbers' Sundries	2
Horologist	1
Sub-Post Office	1
Licensed Premises	25
Off Licence	7
Wine Merchants	2
Launderette	1

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS

Twenty-eight premises were found to be infected with bed bugs. These were treated by spraying with insecticides having a high residual toxicity, e.g., either Benzene Hexachloride or D.D.T.

187 prospective tenants of Council houses were visited and three cases of verminous conditions were discovered.

RODENT CONTROL

The Rodent Operators work under the supervision of the Public Health Inspectors. Four visits were made by the Inspectors in connection with cases of infestation, and in particular those cases of infestation which arose from defects in drains and sewers.

Treatment of sewers was carried out, using the Muslim Bag method, over two periods of three weeks each, at the recognised times, under the direction of a representative of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

The Rodent Operator continued his survey of the district when not engaged in following up specific complaints.

STABLES AND PIGGERIES

Three visits were made to piggeries in the district. All occupiers of these premises are required (under Section 80 of the Public Health Act, 1936) to remove manure regularly at seven-day intervals. This action has been taken to prevent the breeding of the common house-fly and other pests.

SMOKE ABATEMENT

During the year four boilerhouses were visited and inspected, and fuel consumption conditions were discussed with the Engineers and Firemen concerned, in an effort to achieve co-operation in reducing smoke emissions.

Apparatus has been installed throughout the area covered by the Joint Scheme for the Investigation of Atmospheric Pollution, and results are being supplied to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

Also during the year, industrial concerns were, at intervals, reminded of the requirements of the Regulations relating to emissions of dark smoke. Action was urged to ensure that their steam-raising plant was operated without infringing the regulations.

Talks were again given to social groups on the subject of "Clean Air," the flannelgraph prepared in the Department again being used with success.

Smoke Control Areas

The Minister confirmed the Droylsden No. 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 Smoke Control Areas.

The No. 1 Order became operative on 1st April, 1960.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937
SECTION 110—OUTWORKERS

Number of outworkers.
List required by
Section 110 (c) in
November, 1960

Wearing Apparel :

Making, etc. 50

REFUSE, SALVAGE & KITCHEN WASTE SERVICES

Refuse Collection

In November, 1956, a “ Group-Incentive ” bonus scheme was introduced to the service for a trial period. The scheme was successful in increasing loading rates and was retained throughout 1960. The men are required to complete a basic task of 120 bins per man per day and bonus of 1½d. for every bin emptied in excess of that figure is paid. The two refuse teams, consisting of a Driver/Loader and five Ashbinmen share the total bonus between them each week on the basis of the number of hours worked by each man.

Loading rates in excess of 200 bins per man per day were again often achieved, and the improved service continued. The shortages of staff caused by sickness, holidays, etc., however, still made the collection cycle somewhat erratic.

The scheme also virtually stopped the constant changes of staff which formerly plagued the service.

Collection of trade refuse, and private work carried out, resulted in an income of £304.

Refuse Disposal

The town's refuse was again disposed of by controlled tipping.

The “ Muledozer ” machine, a half-track vehicle, more powerful than its predecessor, the “ Calldozer,” and having a bigger blade with two hydraulic rams, was in service throughout the year.

Refuse was disposed of at the Ash Road Depot Tip.

Maximum precautions against vermin were again undertaken, blowing and spraying of insecticides being carried out at regular and frequent intervals. Rodent control was carried out by the Council's Rodent Operator.

Two private contractors continued to use the tip, and this brought in a sum of £262 from tipping charges. With the exception of this necessary covering material from these two firms, private tipping was discontinued as from the 1st April, 1952, in order to conserve tipping space.

The covering material necessary to ensure controlled tipping has always consisted of waste sand from local steel works. This source of supply has been diminishing for some time, and is now giving serious cause for concern.

The tipping space remaining inside the former Sewage Works area is now very small; in the natural valley beyond, the stripping and stockpiling of top-soil for use as covering material will be a difficult and expensive operation.

SALVAGE SERVICES

Waste Paper

Waste paper from business premises is collected by the salvage vehicle; waste paper from domestic premises is collected by the refuse collection vehicles, each of which draws a 6½ cu. yd. capacity trailer.

A bonus scheme is in operation, based on the tonnage despatched to the Board Mill each month.

The amount of paper despatched during the year was 276 tons, valued at £2,427. This was an increase of 24 tons on the figure for 1959.

Waste Paper Despatched January-December, 1960

	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	Value
Mixed Waste	152	6	2 ...	£1,295 16 3
Fibreboard	77	13	0 ...	£737 13 6
Newspapers	46	7	0 ...	£393 19 6
Totals	276	6	2 ...	£2,427 9 3

The annual tonnages since the service began are as follows :

1940	70 Tons	}	Total 5 years	349 tons
1941	71 „			
1942	38 „			
1943	125 „			
1944	42 „			
1945	95 Tons	}	Total 5 years	619 tons
1946	126 „			
1947	120 „			
1948	133 „			
1949	145 „			

1950	184	Tons	}	Total 5 years	944 tons
1951	152	„			
1952	199	„			
1953	189	„			
1954	210	„			

1955	265	Tons	}	Total 5 years	1,283 tons
1956	282	„			
1957	223	„			
1958	261	„			
1959	252	„			
1960	276	„			

Scrap Metal

Heavy iron weighing 4 tons 15 cwt., was salvaged from the refuse tip during the year, and this was sold for a sum of £27 10s. 0d.

MISCELLANEOUS

Petroleum Acts, 1928 and 1936

Twenty licences were issued for the storage of Petroleum Spirit during the year.

Tests were required on all tanks which had been installed for 20 years or more. These tests were conducted in accordance with the recommendations of the Home Office Explosives Department.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

Two licences to keep pet shops were issued during the year. The premises were inspected by the local Inspector of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

RODENT CONTROL
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1942
REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1960

	Local Authority (1)	Dwelling houses (inc. Council houses) (2)	All other (inc. Business Premises) (3)	Totals of columns 1, 2 and 3 (4)	Agricultural (5)
1. Total number of properties in Local Authority's District. . .	11	8,287	382	8,680	18
2. Number of properties inspected as a result of					
(a) Notification	1	108	30	139	1
(b) Survey under Act	4	294	42	340	6
(c) Otherwise	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
3. Total inspections carried out— including re-inspections.	120	12,68	288	1,676	36
4. Number of properties inspected (in Sec. 11) which were found to be infested by :					
(a) Rats (Major)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(Minor)	3	75	18	96	5
(b) Mice (Major)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(Minor)	1	33	9	43	Nil
5. Number of infested properties (in Sec. IV) treated by the L.A. . .	3	108	27	138	1
6. Total treatments carried out— including re-treatments.	30	112	31	173	2
7. Number of notices served under Sec. 4 of the Act. Treatment and Structural Work.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
8. Number of cases in which default action was taken follow- ing the issue of a notice under Sec. 4 of the Act.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
9. Legal Proceedings	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
10. Number of "Block" control schemes carried out.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

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